

WRECK ON THE GRAND TRUNK

An Express Train Crashes Into a Moving Freight.

TWELVE PERSONS KILLED

Many More Are Seriously Injured—A Misplaced Switch the Cause of the Accident—Several Cars Smashed to Splinters—Engineer and Fireman of the Wrecked Train Both Killed—Hardly Any of the Passengers Escaped Injury—Many of the Victims Mangled Beyond Recognition—List of the Killed and Wounded.

Trenton, Oct. 15.—A Grand Trunk express train bound for Toronto crashed into a moving freight train near Murray Hill crossing, two miles west of there, at 3:30 this morning, and several cars were smashed almost to splinters. So far as known twelve people were killed and a dozen or more seriously injured.

LIST OF THE DEAD. WILLIAM LUNNESS, cattle drover, Toronto. CHARLES GOODCHILD, cattle drover, Toronto. JOHN CASEY, engineer, off duty, Belleville. WILLIAM BRADY, engineer of Montreal express, Belleville. JOHN MACDONALD, fireman of Montreal express, Belleville. MERIE C. KERN, native of Russia. GEORGE HABRICH, native of Russia. KATRINE HABRICH, native of Russia. Three other Russian, man, woman and female child, all unidentified.

Unknown man, legs and part of trunk recovered. All the Russian party had through tickets to Cincinnati. They arrived at Quebec last week on the steamship Laurentian.

THE INJURED. WILLIAM KINNEAR, Prescott, wounded about the head. JAMES NEWMAN, baggage man, Toronto, slightly injured. LEON LEBLANC, baggage man, Montreal, slightly injured. JOHN McNAMARA, fireman, Brookville, condition critical. ALBERT TRACEY, Toronto, both legs injured. A. P. WALKER, fireman, Belleville, face injured. FREDERICK COHEN, German immigrant, thigh fractured and skull thought to be crushed. C. PALIN, Chesley, Ill., injuries slight. A. CAREY, Cobourg, shoulder fractured. B. BACKUS, Brookville, face lacerated.

A misplaced switch was the cause of the accident, the west-bound train taking the wrong track, on which was the eastbound freight. The train, which left Montreal at 8 o'clock last night, consisted of express, all and baggage cars, a second class car, one first class coach and two Pullman sleepers. The second class car was next to the baggage car and ahead of the first class coach and sleepers. It was pretty well filled with people, there being twenty or more passengers in it and hardly any of them escaped without injury.

Between Belleville and Murray Hill crossing the road is single tracked, the only piece of single track between Toronto and Montreal. At Murray Hill crossing the westbound express usually leaves the single track and takes the double track, and it was about a mile and a half west of this point where the accident occurred. Whether the signals were right or not this morning will never be known, the engineer and fireman of the wrecked train, are both dead. Both engines were totally destroyed and the freight engine was thrown completely over the passenger engine into the ditch beyond.

The engineer and fireman of the freight train, Thomas Evans and Alex Tompkins, were both killed. Evans escaped with light injuries. W. H. Brady, engineer, of Belleville, and John McDonald, fireman, of Belleville, who were in charge of the passenger engine were killed. The greatest destruction was wrought in the second class car. The baggage car was driven into and almost completely through it, the passengers were crushed and mangled underneath the timbers of the cars. The mail car was forced right on top of the baggage car and the express car was partially wrecked. The first class car was uninjured, as were also the two sleepers. The work of pulling out the dead and injured was commenced immediately, but it was late this morning before all the bodies were gotten out. Some of them were so horribly mangled that recognition was almost impossible. The injured were taken to the hospital at Belleville.

CARLISTS ARE ACTIVE

An Uprising May Be Expected to Follow Peace Treaty.

London, Nov. 16.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: A leading Carlist tells me that he will be astonished if a formidable uprising does not occur in Spain within a month after the peace treaty is signed. The Carlists have abundant supplies of money, and, my informant says, only something very big and unexpected can prevent a rising. This appears to agree with the news that Don Carlos has succeeded in raising an important loan in London and in Paris, and that wealthy Carlist families are insuring their property against war risks.

HAS NO DEAL WITH QUAY.

Senator Magee Denies Reports to That Effect.

Fittsburg, Nov. 15.—A report has been in circulation for some time to the effect that Senator C. L. Magee had made a deal with Quay. It was reported yesterday that it had been made in a room at the Magee's support of the state ticket the latter was to "audit the claims" of those who aspired for positions under the state government. Senator Magee was asked about the reported deal, and he replied: "There is not the shadow of truth in that report. I have made no deal with Quay, and furthermore I shall make none. I supported the Republican ticket because I felt that it was my duty as a Republican to do so. I realized that it was highly necessary for every good citizen to come to the support of the ticket in behalf of the national administration."

BEAVER SCORES

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HAVE ARRIVED AT AUGUSTA.

Second Section of the Thirtieth Arrived There Last Night.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 15.—The second section of the Thirtieth regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, arrived here at 9:30 p. m. At Hamlet, N. C., a wheel of the car in which the members of Company D were riding was found to be broken. The car was side-tracked and the occupants distributed among the other cars. Tonight is warm and all on board the train were well, and happy at getting to a warmer climate.

BOSTON ANTI-IMPERIALISTS.

New Society of Kickers from the Mugwamp District.

Boston, Nov. 15.—A conference of well known anti-imperialists of Boston will take place within a few days. Invitations are now being sent out, and it is expected that the deliberations of this gathering will result in the formation of a regular organization in Boston for arousing public sentiment against the taking of Spain's conquered possessions by the United States. This conference is called for by the joint committee of the Faneuil hall anti-imperialists meeting of last June and the Massachusetts Reform club.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, Nov. 15.—Cleared: St. Louis, Southampton; Majestic, Liverpool; Sailed: Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, Bremen; Arrived: Albert, Genoa and Naples; Antwerp—Arrived: Noordland, New York via Southampton; Southampton—Arrived: Lahn, New York for Bremen; Rotterdam—Arrived: Rotterdam, New York.

PEPPER MURDER

CASE AT MONTROSE

EAGEN ARRAIGNED FOR KILLING THE RUSH FARMER.

History of the Shocking Crime and the Efforts of the District Attorney in Tracking the Supposed Murderer—Susie Graham the Woman in Scarlet—The Testimony Heard Yesterday.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Montrose, Nov. 15.—There was a goodly sized audience in attendance at court this afternoon, for it was practically the beginning of the Pepper murder trial. The last juror had been drawn shortly before the morning session of court ended and a full panel of twelve good and true men filed into the jury box.

The jurors drawn are as follows: Hiram Hall, D. Allison Brown, William Chamberlain, John L. Wallace, Albert Hilburn, Gardner J. Lewis, John Dixon, Philander K. Benson, Clarence E. Shay, Andrew Faucher, Warren E. Tinsley and Fred Sisson.

They are men of stability and represent the fine yeomanship and good citizenship found among the men of Susquehanna county. Many women occupied the gallery and the township of Rush was well represented in the audience. District Attorney William D. B. Almy opened the case for the commonwealth against the defendant, J. James Eagan, guilty as charged. The district attorney was associated with him in the case as assistant counsel for the commonwealth. A. H. McCollum, the defendant's counsel is T. J. Davies.

HISTORY OF PEPPER MURDER.

Oct. 19, 1897, is a day which will be long remembered in the hamlet of Rush, Susquehanna county. The small village is nestled between the sloping hills, final foot-hills of the Blue Ridge whose sides are alternately studded with giant trees of the primeval forest or show the clean even meadow land where man has encroached upon the premises. Andrew Jackson Pepper lived there among those quiet, abiding citizens who people such valleys of green sward. At the edge of his pasture, where the water of the creek, about, serpent-like and babbling on, join the brimming Susquehanna at the village bearing the same name. Mr. Pepper on the evening mentioned, said to his sister, Aunt Sally Pepper, "I am going to the barn to feed the horse and taking the lantern went to the horse barn which is located about twenty rods from the house."

When Pepper was next seen he was lying upon the barn floor bathed in his own blood, his gray hair was matted with blood and his eyes were closed. His body had been battered to a jelly, the left wall of his skull was depressed leaving a gaping ugly hole, his feet and hands were tied with a rope such as is used on passenger trains for signal purposes, a large whiffletree which lay on the floor, and a heavy iron nail protruding at one end and the original iron rasp with its jagged spud, bespoke the awful punishment inflicted. It was the weapon used, blood stained and with articles of clothing scattered about, time-worn electric, Pepper's straw hat showed that he had it upon his head when first struck, the wire nail having gone through it and blood had spurted over the straw and straw and showed in crimson spots.

Thus Aunt Sally Pepper found him when about 9 o'clock he had not returned to the house, and she had lighted another lantern and gone out into the night to look for him. Justice of the Peace Abraham Carter acted as coroner and the inquest was held, for Pepper died at 3 o'clock the day following the tragedy. Suspicion pointed indirectly toward several, but the inquest brought nothing to light upon the subject.

SUSIE GRAHAM APPEARS.

It was then that Susie Graham insisted herself in the premises. In a recent murder trial of note Lizzie De Kalb figured as the woman in black. In the Pepper trial Susie Graham will be conspicuous as the woman in scarlet, for, it is alleged, she was indirectly the cause of the crime. The Graham woman was born and bred in Rush township not far from the home of Jackson Pepper. As a little barefoot girl she daily passed his modest farm house on her way to school and the memory of childhood was indeed strong, for the childish gossip of the money Mr. Pepper kept at home rang in her ears like a siren's song when she and Eagan were billing and cooing in their illicit love Susquehanna. She had met Eagan in Binghamton and they loved, not wisely, but too well, and she went to live with him as his common-law wife. Susie Graham remembered the traditions of childhood, she knew that Old Jackson Pepper was an iconoclast and had no faith in banks, she wanted Eagan to go to Rush and make a haul of cash that would place them both beyond the dreams of avarice. Eagan was willing and so was his friend, Cornelius Wells Shew. The rope used to tie Pepper's hands and feet was secured from Wing Lee, a laundryman Celestial; but the wagon that came along the Mineral Springs road that night in October after these men left the barn, having sagged and tied the old man was, perhaps, directly the cause of his death. Pepper was groaning, nearer and nearer came the team. If his groans were heard all would be lost—money and themselves. Back they went, it is al-

THE BUSINESS MEN

ARE AT IT AGAIN

THEY RENEW FIGHT AGAINST SENATOR QUAY.

The League, Notwithstanding Election Results, Claims to Have Supported All Republican Candidates for the National House of Representatives—It Appeals to All Lovers of Honest Government and Patriotism in Pennsylvania for Support.

Philadelphia, Nov. 15.—The Business Men's Republican league of Pennsylvania issued a statement today on the result of the recent election. Among other things it says: "It is an incontrovertible certainty that a majority of more than thirty of the next legislature have been elected upon a platform of opposition to the return of Senator Quay to the United States senate, and are pledged to stand against all harmful machine legislation. Of the one hundred and thirty-three members of the last legislature who voted for Senator Penrose and those who followed the dictation of the Quay machine, but twenty-four have been re-elected, or only 18 per cent while the "Seventy-six" who supported Hon. John Wannamaker, 32 have been returned, or more than 42 per cent. Of the fifty Quay men who attempted to collect money bills for expenses never incurred, only seven are re-elected while the four anti-Quay men on the same committee who refused to render bills for money not expended, have all been re-elected.

"Senator Quay had a senatorial opponent in but one county of the state, Tioga, where both he and his opponent submitted their names to the people and Quay was overwhelmingly defeated by Hon. Charles Tubbs. In the Republican strongholds of Blair, Chester and Union counties, seven members were instructed at the preliminary vote for Senator Quay, because no candidate was announced against him, but at the election these seven members instructed for Senator Quay were defeated.

"The first witness sworn was Clifton Hicok, county surveyor and assessor. His testimony covered a description of the Pepper premises in general. Maps which he had made of house and barn were offered in evidence. George Granger, of Lush, for indeed the town is often termed Grangerville, so long have the Grangers resided in that section, next testified. He was summoned by Aunt Sally Pepper about 9 o'clock on the night of October 19, 1897, and with Oliver Wilbur went to the Pepper barn and found Pepper lying on the floor, his eyes closed, and George L. Pickett, a neighbor, who with Wilbur carried Pepper to the house. The cross-examination did not materially change his testimony.

Oliver Wilbur, a brother-in-law of the previous witness, corroborated Mr. Granger's testimony. A most startling effect was produced when Attorney McCollum asked Mr. Wilbur to describe Pepper's appearance, when he said: "He looked like the neck end of a slaughtered pig." The head had been cut off and the body left in the barn.

ANOTHER WAR RUMOR.

Spanish Fleets Are Being Prepared to Renew Hostilities—Canary Islands Forts Manned.

London, Nov. 15.—The rumors circulated here yesterday (Tuesday) that the American fleet was on the point of starting for Europe caused great excitement in continental circles. "The Daily Graphic says this morning: "The Spanish trans-Atlantic fleet has been ordered to be prepared for a renewal of hostilities and the forts in the Canary Islands are being garrisoned."

COAL STRIKERS WIN.

Chicago-Virden Company Practically Accedes to the Demands of the Miners—Peace at Last.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—The Chicago-Virden Coal company today practically acceded to all demands of the striking miners. The company agreed to pay the union scale of 40 cents for hand work and 33 for machine work. Officials of the coal company held a meeting here today with representatives of the miners' unions for the purpose of arranging a settlement of the long standing difficulties between the company and the miners. An agreement was reached after a somewhat protracted conference. The chief grievance of the miners was the wage scale and the result is looked upon as a big victory for them. The meeting was held in the office of President Loucks, of the coal company, and was attended by Acting President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, President Hunter and Secretary Tyson, of the Illinois Mine Workers' union, and President Cahill, of the sub-district branch state union, in behalf of the miners. President Loucks and Manager Lukins representing the coal company. The meeting lasted until late in the afternoon, arranging the minor details of the agreement, including the disposition of the imported negro workers and the stockpiles. President Loucks refused to talk on these subjects, but stated he had no doubt that an amicable agreement on all the long standing difficulties would be reached without difficulty.

ANGLO-AMERICANS.

Canadian Members of the Commission Arrive in Washington.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, premier of Canada, and Sir James Laurier, premier of Newfoundland, arrived today to take their seats in the Anglo-American joint commission. Mr. T. Jefferson Coolidge, of Boston, also came on, thus completing the American membership. The commission will hold a brief session at 11 o'clock and then give way to meetings of the British and American members separately. These separate conferences were for the purpose of going over the grounds on which reciprocity can be discussed. Attention is now centered almost exclusively on the tariff schedules have been arranged, but it has been considered best to take up each article separately, discuss the possibility of tariff concessions upon it. The expectation is that some work will be done so that each side will know by the end of the present week just what articles the other side desires to operate in a reciprocity arrangement and what reduction of rates is possible on these articles.

HARTMAN STATUE.

Harrisburg, Nov. 15.—A meeting of the Hartman commission was held here this evening at which the statue of General John F. Hartman in capitol park was accepted. The statue will be unveiled with elaborate ceremonies next spring.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: Fair; Southwesterly Winds.

1 General—Fatal Railroad Wreck in Ontario. Manifesto by the Business Men's Republican League. The Montrose Murder Trial, Joseph Chamberlain on the French Question. 2 General—Special Cuban Commissioner Porter's Report. Financial and Commercial. 3 Local—First Annual Meeting of the Hahlemann Hospital. 4 Editorial. Comment of the Press. 5 Story—"From Root to Root." Social Side of Governor Stone. 6 Local—Scheme on Foot to Lexow the Whole County. Court Proceedings. 7 Local—The New Building of the County Bank. Musical Questions for Teachers. 8 Local—West Scranton and Suburban. 9 News Round About Scranton. 10 General—Thirtieth Regiment On the Way to Its New Camp.

W. C. T. U. ELECTS

A PRESIDENT

Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens Selected to Succeed the Late Frances Willard.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 15.—The storm of yesterday in the Woman's Christian Temperance union made a slim attendance at the opening today. Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, of the national union to the payment of the \$200,000 issue of Temple trust bonds was postponed owing to the small attendance till 3 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, introduced at a resolution deploring the great destruction of some birds for millinery and petitioning congress to pass a law prohibiting the use for millinery purposes of all useful or singing birds. Some discussion, humorous and otherwise, followed and it was carried, 166 to 1.

INFLUENCE INSUFFICIENT.

"Even the influence of Senator Quay in his own county of Beaver was insufficient to renominate the two men who had done his bidding in the last election. State Chairman Quinn was forced to take down the two members from his own county of Indiana whom he had led into betraying the people and whom he desired returned in the interest of the machine.

CONSISTENT SUPPORT.

"The Business Men's Republican league wishes to draw attention with emphasis to the fact that throughout the entire campaign just ended, it consistently and earnestly supported all candidates of the Republican party for members of the national house of representatives from this state, and had the Quay machine done the same, the Republican vote would have been restricted to the minority caused by the defeat of Hon. Charles W. Stone, a consistent Republican member of congress, and the election in his stead of that Democrat apostle of free silver and free trade, Joseph C. Sibley. This is but one example of how the Quay machine has become, even while preaching from the stump the support of President McKinley, his administration and the principles on which the Republican party has won so many and glorious victories. They used their efforts to deplete and weaken the Republican majority in our national house of representatives, though so badly needed to make effective President McKinley's wise and patriotic purposes, for the sole reason that they might revenge themselves on one who had the courage to assent to the people in his candidacy for governor, instead of to the true or ruin machine.

SPAIN IS OBSTINATE.

Madrid, Nov. 15.—According to semi-official statements here the Spanish peace commissioners will maintain their present attitude in regard to the Philippine islands and will certainly not accept the conditions of the United States. It is also learned from the same source that complete accord prevails between the Spanish government and its peace commissioners.

Victims of a Fire.

New Bedford, Mass., Nov. 15.—Mrs. George Gauthier and her mother, Mrs. Bradley, died today from injuries received in last Thursday night's ten-months' imprisonment for details, including with his sabre a sergeant named Schlenker, in September last.

CHAMBERLAIN

TALKS AGAIN

Friendship for America Crops Out in His Speech.

Manchester, Nov. 15.—At the national Liberal Unionist conference here today, Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, made his first public speech since his return from the United States. Mr. Chamberlain, who was much more explicit on the subject of Anglo-French relations than any of his colleagues in the cabinet has been, said "It was the hope of every friend of peace that the French withdrawal from Fashoda is indicative of their acceptance of the principle of British control of the whole valley of the Nile, regarding which there cannot be any discussion whatever." "Going on to recite a series of unfriendly acts perpetrated by France in various quarters of the globe during the last ten or fifteen years," he said: "If better relations are to be established, it will be necessary for French politicians to abandon tactics whose object has been to hamper and embarrass British policy even in quarters where the French have no interests to protect. I refer especially to Newfoundland where, despite the fact that the French fishery interests have declined to a comparatively insignificant point, the demands of the French have continually increased and their interference with the development of the colony has increased.

FRENCH INTERVENTION.

"At the present moment Newfoundland is seriously suffering from an intervention which is of no advantage to France, although a serious detriment to the British colony. If the Fashoda incident only serves to disabuse foreign statesmen of the erroneous conception that the British will yield anything to pressure, will be a blessing in disguise."

COL. WILLIAMS REMAINS.

Taken on the Saratoga for Shipment North. Havana, Nov. 15.—The remains of the late Colonel Williams, chief quartermaster, were conveyed today from the Colon cemetery to La Machina wharf where they were taken on board the steamer Saratoga for shipment north.

CHEAP GAS AT TRENTON.

Illumination at 25 Cents per 1,000 Cubic Feet. Trenton, N. J., Nov. 15.—Trenton people will be furnished with gas at 25 cents per 1,000 cubic feet beginning tomorrow. The new plant of the People's Gas Improvement company, of which William L. Elkins, of Philadelphia, is the head, was put in operation today and a war is on between this company and the old one, the Trenton Gas Light company, which, until the new company was organized, was charging two dollars a thousand. Since then both companies have been underbidding each other. The old company this morning reduced its price to 45 cents and this afternoon the new company came down to 25 cents.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Pennsylvania pensions have been issued: Original—Special Nov. 7, Frederick A. Whelock, dead, \$5 yearly. Wyoming, 40. Original widow, etc.—May 2, Wheelock, Factoryville, Pa.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Forecast for Wednesday: Partly cloudy; light to moderate easterly winds; temperature 40 to 50.